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Dear Examiner JOYCE,

Enclosed for filing is an After-Final Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 in response to the Office Action mailed on July 26, 2006, in the above-referenced application, which is believed to place of the application in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,

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## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116 and APPLICANT'S STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated July 26, 2006, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows: